



2013 TOWN OF FAIRFAX

SELECTBOARD MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013
7:00 PM

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Selectboard Members Present: Randy DeVine, Chair; Chris Santee, Vice-Chair; Dave Shea, Tom Fontaine and Leebeth Ann Lemieux.

Public Present: Deb Landauer, Town Librarian; Jim Jones, LCATV videotaping.

Call to Order: Randy called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Minutes 9.16.13:

*Ann made the motion to approve the minutes with a correction to the spelling of a last name; seconded by Tom. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Minutes 9.30.13:

*Tom made the motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Ann. The motion carried with the vote 5-0.

Warrant Items: Reviewed and approved by Randy. A question was raised about a recent cemetery invoice for mowing. Randy stated the invoice was turned over to the Cemetery Commissioner. Dave asked about the availability to review invoices by all SB members since they are responsible for them. Randy stated they are available for review.

Public Input: A letter, dated 10/7/13, was received from William Superneau/Vermont Wood Structures, Inc., about the recent bid process for the new town office. The letter was read by Chris Santee. No action was taken on the letter.

D. Jay Leach, Road Foreman

A letter from a "Resident of Wilkins Road" was received, dated October 4, 2014. The letter addressed the current condition of Wilkins Road and the residents desire to have the road graded before winter. D. Jay stated that the road was graded this morning.

A quote for bulk deicing salt was received from Cargill with a price of \$63.28 per ton. The state salt price was discussed.

*Dave made a motion approving the purchase of winter salt through Cargill for 725 tons at \$63.28/ton; Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0 in favor of the purchase through Cargill.

10.07.13 Minutes Cont.: D. Jay, Road Foreman

The Board would like D. Jay to develop a 5-10 year road plan, with a priority list of roads and a plan of action for the roads. This would be beneficial for budgeting purposes as well.

D. Jay has been looking into wood chippers, used and new. A new wood chipper large enough to do what would be required is approximately \$30,000.00. Subcontracting wood chipping was also discussed. D. Jay will get the numbers for budgeting next year.

D. Jay would like to take \$2,000.00 out of the tree line item and put it into hot mix to be used on River Road.

The Town Garage was broken into sometime over the weekend. A Husqvarna power circle saw was taken. The State Police were notified.

Randy DeVine, W/S Superintendent

(The Chair seat was turned over to Vice-Chair Chris Santee for the monthly reviewed of the W/S Department.)

The Board reviewed the Water & Sewer report for the month of September. The list of activities were listed as well as daily duties performed i.e. daily lab sampling and recording, transferring C12 and refilling day tanks, monthly composite and water sampling, shop and equipment maintenance, weekly shop cleaning, daily sewer pump station checks etc.

Randy updated the Board on the current status of the wells on Wheezy's Way. On Monday the well was pumped yielding 37-39 gallons per minute with the water being on the clear side. RFQ's for pump testing will be sent out. (Randy resumed being the Chair.)

Skip Taylor, Zoning Administrator

Skip is here to discuss with the Board the interviewing process for the Zoning Assistant position. Skip interviewed three candidates today. He feels all three are viable candidates. He will evaluate the candidates and rank them in order of preference. The Board will meet with the perspective candidates on Thursday, October 10th starting at 6:00 pm. in half hour increments.

Other Business:

1. Employee Health Insurance - Deb Landauer is here to discuss with the Board the insurance for town employees. A public meeting will be held at the Town Library on November 7th from 6-8 pm. with an insurance navigator to assist people with their insurance questions. You may also sign up for an individual session with a navigator as well.
2. A letter from Justin Hayes, dated October 4, 2013 was reviewed by the Board. It will be addressed at the 2014 budget meeting. Mr. Hayes will be notified.
3. A.M. Peisch - contract for auditing the 2013 books was signed.
4. A letter from the Lister's for "Errors and Omissions" from the 2013 Grand List. The letter was reviewed and signed by the Selectboard.
5. Duffy's Waste and Recycling Inc. letter addressing a request for a quote for service was addressed. A letter will be sent thanking them for their

interest in serving Fairfax but that at the present time there's no cost advantage.

10.07.13 Minutes Cont.: Other Business

6. A memo to all departments requesting a preliminary budget will be generated.
7. Contact John Mitchell to come in to talk to the Board regarding the progress on the Main Street sidewalk project.
8. New Town Office alternatives discussed. Tom and Ann are working on this.
9. The town website is up and running. Linking to other local websites in town discussed. No action taken at this time.

Adjourn:

9:40 PM: *Chris made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Ann. The motion carried with all members in favor 5-0.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Stacy Wells, Adm. Asst.

Randy DeVine, Chair
Town of Fairfax Selectboard

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* Motion made

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Any time the Selectboard "amends" the previous weeks' minutes, there will be a statement to that effect in the minutes of the meeting at which the "amending" occurred.